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For: AN OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE STRUCTURE

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination, please amend the application as follows.